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PATENT

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of

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For: STORAGE SUBSYSTEM AND ITS CONTROLLING METHOD

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-referenced application, please amend the application as follows: